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SUBJECT: CROATIAN WEEKLY LISTS ALLEGED B-H ARMY  
ATROCITIES AGAINST BOSNIAN CROATS IN 1993

1. THE SEMI-INDEPENDENT SPLIT-BASED WEEKLY "NEDELJNA DALMACIJA" ON JAN 5 PUBLISHED A LENGTHY PIECE BY RESPECTED FREELANCER MARIO MARUSIC ON THE THREAT FACED BY BOSNIAN CROATS FROM B-H ARMY OR ALLIED FORCES. MARUSIC DECRIES THE PAUCITY OF ATTENTION TO ATROCITIES SUFFERED BY BOSNIAN CROATS WHILE THE WORLD'S ATTENTION WAS RIVETED ON "AHMICI, STUPNI DOL, AND THE OLD BRIDGE (IN MOSTAR). AT THE END OF THE PIECE, MARUSIC INCLUDED A LIST OF "THE MAJOR"

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(ALLEGED) ATROCITIES COMMITTED BY B-H ARMED FORCES  
AGAINST BOSNIAN CROATS IN 1993.

2. SOME OF THE INCIDENTS ARE WELL-KNOWN, SUCH AS UZDOL AND THE KILLING OF THE TWO FRANCISCAN FRIARS AT FOJNICA; OTHERS, SUCH AS THOSE CENTERED AROUND KONJIC, HAVE LONG BEEN ALLEGED BUT NEVER SUBSTANTIATED (OR, IN MOST CASES, EVEN INVESTIGATED, SO FAR AS WE KNOW); AND STILL OTHERS WE HAD NOT HERETOFORE HEARD ABOUT.

3. IN ATTEMPTING TO ASCERTAIN THE ORIGINAL SOURCES OF MARUSIC'S REPORT, WE LEARNED THAT MOST OR ALL OF THE PRE-AUGUST 20 ALLEGED INCIDENTS WERE CHRONICLED IN A "HERCEG-BOSNA" PUBLICATION OF AROUND THAT DATE WHICH COVERED THE PERIOD FROM 1991 TO THE DATE OF PUBLICATION. SOURCE MATERIAL FOR INCIDENTS ALLEGED TO HAVE OCCURRED AFTER AUGUST 20 ALSO COMES FROM "HERCEG-BOSNA," FROM TESTIMONIES FILED WITH ODPR (OFFICE OF DISPLACE PERSONS AND REFUGEES) BY PERSONS ALLEGEDLY WITNESSING THE EVENT.

4. BECAUSE OF THE ORIGINAL "HERCEG-BOSNA" SOURCING, THE ATROCITIES LIST CANNOT BE CONSIDERED SUBSTANTIATED. WE REPORT IT, HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF ITS SPECIFICITY, BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT AT LEAST SOME OF THESE INCIDENTS DID TAKE PLACE, AND BECAUSE MARUSIC, WHO HAS A SOLID REPUTATION, CLAIMS TO HAVE PERSONALLY GONE OVER THE ORIGINAL SOURCE MATERIALS (TESTIMONIES, MAPS, ETC) FOR BOTH PRE AND POST AUGUST 20 ATROCITIES AND FOUND THEM COMPELLING.

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5. "LOCATIONS OF GREATEST CRIMES (IN 1993) AGAINST CROATS IN BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA"

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-- JANUARY 29, 1993, GUSTI GRAB, MUNICIPALITY OF ZENICA: FIVE CIVILIANS AGED BETWEEN 70 AND 80 KILLED AND MASSACRED;

-- MARCH 23, 1993, ORLISTE, KONJIC: FOUR MEN AGED BETWEEN 70 AND 90 KILLED;

-- MARCH 23, 1993, BUSCAK, KONJIC: THREE CIVILIANS KILLED, AS WELL AS THE PERSON WHO TRIED TO

BURY THEM;

-- APRIL 16, 1993, TRUSINA, KONJIC: SIXTEEN  
CIVILIANS KILLED, SEVEN SOLDIERS OF THE CROATIAN  
DEFENSE COUNCIL (HVO) SHOT IN FRONT OF WOMEN AND  
CHILDREN;

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-- APRIL 24, 1993, MILETICI, TRAVNIK: FIVE  
PERSONS MASSACRED: THEIR EYES WERE GOUGED OUT, THEY  
DRANK THEIR OWN BLOOD, AND WERE THEN STRANGLED WITH  
CHAINS;

-- APRIL 27, 1993, BILIVODE, ZENICA: THREE  
ELDERLY PEOPLE BURNT ALIVE IN A HOUSE;

-- APRIL 27, 1993, SUSANJ, ZENICA: IT WAS  
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ESTABLISHED THAT TEN CIVILIANS WERE SHOT BY FIRING  
SQUAD;

-- JUNE 8, 1993, MALJINE, TRAVNIK: A VILLAGE WAS  
SET ON FIRE, SEVEN WOUNDED ON STRETCHERS, FOUR  
CIVILIANS, AND THREE SOLDIERS WERE SHOT ABOVE THE  
RAVINE IN THE VILLAGE OF POLJANKE; 38 PRIS  
ONERS SHOT  
IN THE VILLAGE OF BIKOSE;

-- JUNE 11, 1993, VITEZ: EIGHT DIED, AND OVER 20  
CHILDREN WERE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED BY MUSLIM ARTILLERY  
SHRAPNEL;

-- JUNE 11, 1993; DRENOVIK, KAKANJ: EIGHT  
CIVILIANS KILLED, NINE WOUNDED, SEVEN CIVILIANS FROM  
THE BRADARIC FAMILY TOOK REFUGE; UNPROFOR REFUSED TO  
HELP;

-- JUNE 16, 1993, BUSOVACKE STAJE, BUSOVACA:  
CONVOY CARRYING FOOD ATTACKED-- FOURTEEN CIVILIANS  
AND EIGHT HVO SOLDIERS KILLED, EIGHTEEN WOUNDED;

-- JULY 15, 1993, MOSTAR: AT THE "SOKOL"  
BUILDING SIXTEEN CIVILIANS BURNT ALIVE;

-- JULY 27, 1993, DOLJANI: THIRTY SEVEN PERSONS  
MASSACRED, ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY CAPTURED (TWENTY ONE  
CHILDREN BELOW THE AGE OF 5, FORTY TWO CHILDREN AGED  
BETWEEN 5 AND 15, TEN PREGNANT WOMEN)

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-- AUGUST 16, 1993, KISELJAK, ZEPCE: FORTY THREE  
PERSONS KILLED AND MASSACRED;

-- SEPTEMBER 13 1993, MOSTAR: FIVE CIVILIANS  
KILLED AND TWENTY WOUNDED (SEVEN CHILDREN BETWEEN THE  
AGE OF 4 AND 11);

-- SEPTEMBER 14, 1993, UZDOL, PROZOR: SOME FORTY  
CIVILIANS KILLED, MOSTLY WOMEN AND ELDERLY PERSONS;

-- SEPTEMBER 25, 1993; GRABOVICA, MOSTAR:  
THIRTY EIGHT CROATS KILLED AND MASSACRED: CRUCIFIED,  
IMPALED, THEIR HEARTS TAKEN OUT;

-- OCTOBER 25, 1993, RASTOVCI, NOVI TRAVNIK:  
SEVEN CIVILIANS KILLED;

-- NOVEMBER 4, 1993, VINISTE, ZAVIDOVCI: BED  
RIDDEN ELDERLY MAN SLAIN IN BED, A CIVILIAN KILLED IN  
FRONT OF HIS FAMILY;

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-- NOVEMBER 13, 1993, FOJNICA: TWO FRANCISCANS  
FRIARS KILLED IN THE FRANCISCAN MONASTERY;

-- DECEMBER 22, 1993, KRIZANCEVO SELO, VITEZ:  
SEVENTY FOUR CROATS KILLED AND BURIED IN MASS GRAVES  
IN POCULICA.

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